

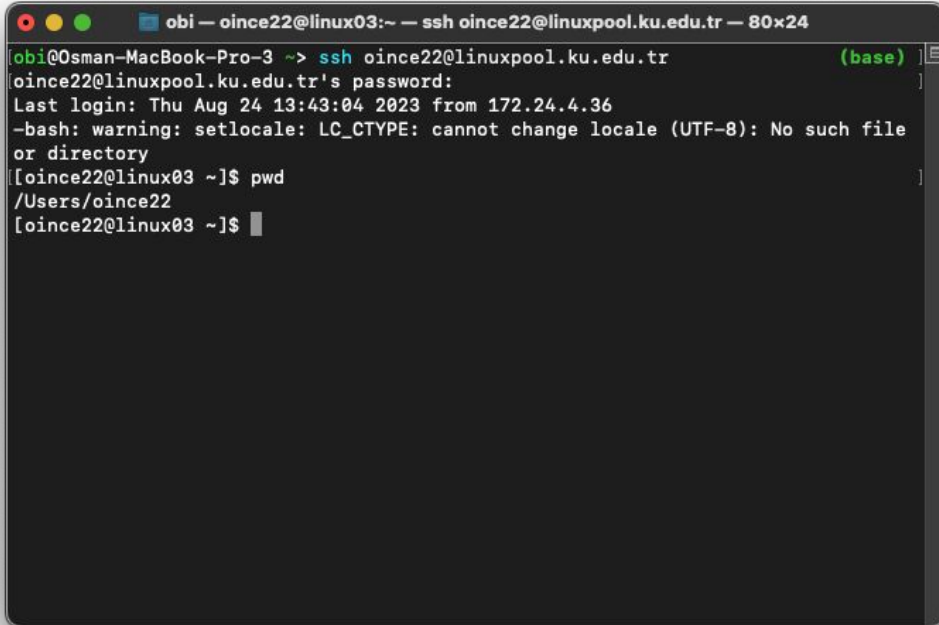
Intro to Linux Shell

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What is shell?



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obi@Osman-MacBook-Pro-3 ~-> ssh oince22@linuxpool.ku.edu.tr (base)
oince22@linuxpool.ku.edu.tr's password:
Last login: Thu Aug 24 13:43:04 2023 from 172.24.4.36
-bash: warning: setlocale: LC_CTYPE: cannot change locale (UTF-8): No such file
or directory
[oince22@linux03 ~]$ pwd
/Users/oince22
[oince22@linux03 ~]$
```

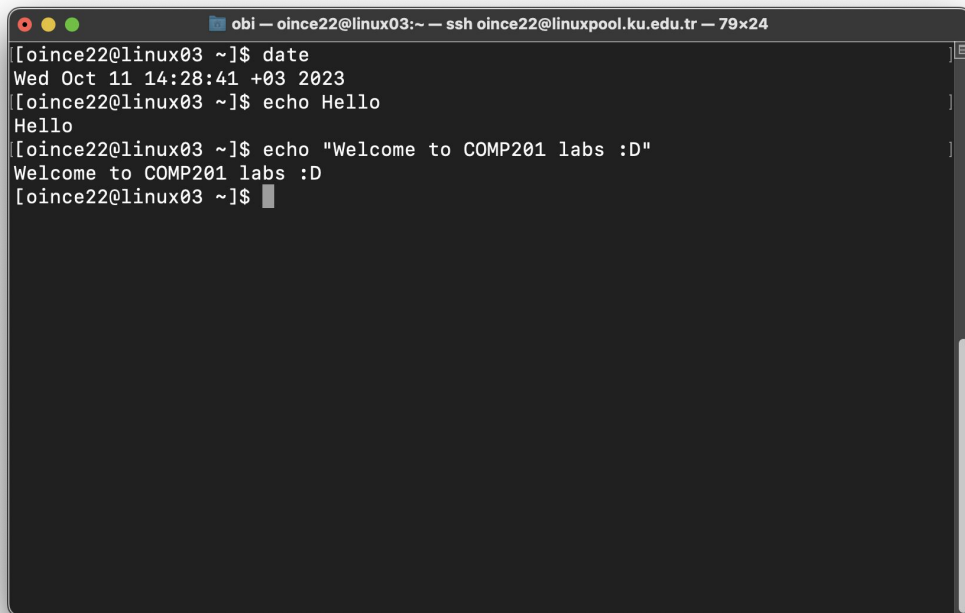
- **Linux shell** is the interface between you and OS that controls hardware.
- The most commonly used shell is called BASH – Bourne Again Shell
 - The default shell in Linuxpool
- `username@hostname:curr_dir$`
 - username: oince22
 - hostname: linux03
 - curr_dir: /Users/oince22

How to connect?

```
ssh USERNAME@linuxpool.ku.edu.tr
```

1. Type your password when prompted.
2. If you see a warning about SSH host keys, click or enter “yes.”

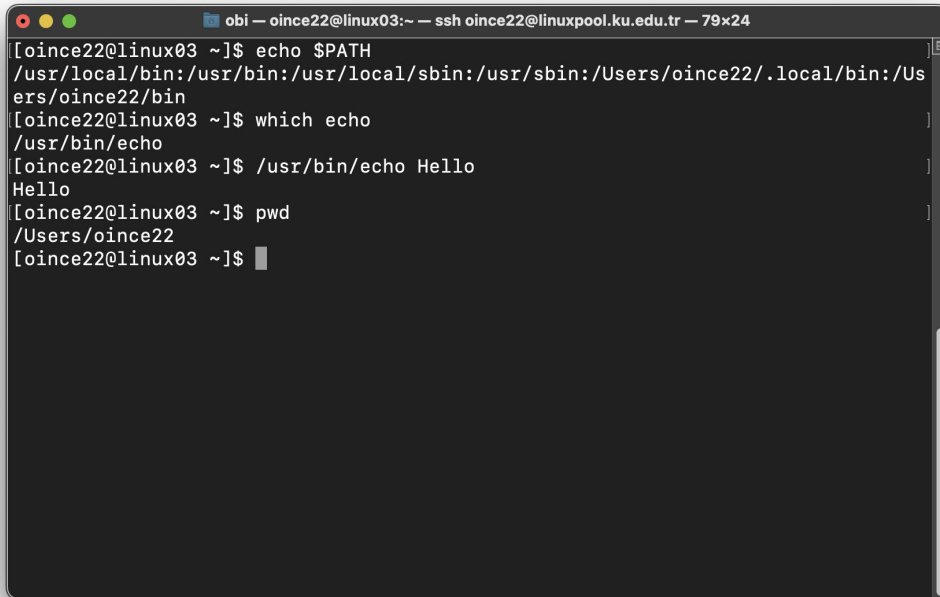
Executing system programs

A terminal window with a dark background and light text. The window title bar shows 'obi - oince22@linux03:~ - ssh oince22@linuxpool.ku.edu.tr - 79x24'. The terminal content shows three commands and their outputs: 'date' outputs 'Wed Oct 11 14:28:41 +03 2023', 'echo Hello' outputs 'Hello', and 'echo "Welcome to COMP201 labs :D"' outputs 'Welcome to COMP201 labs :D'. The prompt '[oince22@linux03 ~]\$' is visible at the start of each line.

```
[oince22@linux03 ~]$ date
Wed Oct 11 14:28:41 +03 2023
[oince22@linux03 ~]$ echo Hello
Hello
[oince22@linux03 ~]$ echo "Welcome to COMP201 labs :D"
Welcome to COMP201 labs :D
[oince22@linux03 ~]$
```

- Execute programs
- date
 - This program prints current date and time
- echo
 - This program prints the input argument
 - Put quotation marks around the string if the string has more than one word

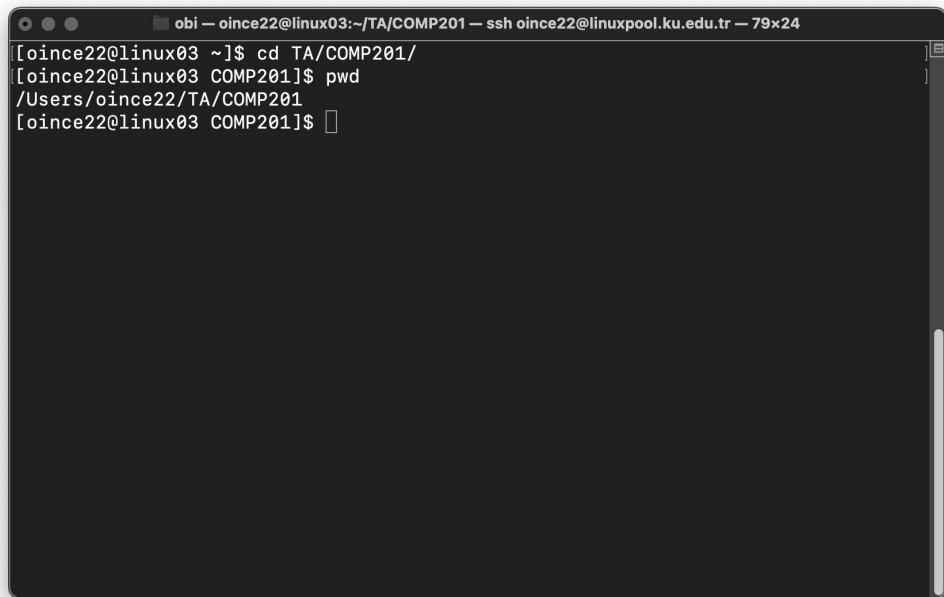
Path and \$PATH



```
obi — oince22@linux03:~ — ssh oince22@linuxpool.ku.edu.tr — 79x24
[oince22@linux03 ~]$ echo $PATH
/usr/local/bin:/usr/bin:/usr/local/sbin:/usr/sbin:/Users/oince22/.local/bin:/Users/oince22/bin
[oince22@linux03 ~]$ which echo
/usr/bin/echo
[oince22@linux03 ~]$ /usr/bin/echo Hello
Hello
[oince22@linux03 ~]$ pwd
/Users/oince22
[oince22@linux03 ~]$
```

- **\$PATH**
 - A variable that contains addresses where system look for programs to execute
- **which**
 - Prints which file is being executed given an input program name
- **pwd**
 - This program prints current working directory
 - Stands for “print working directory”

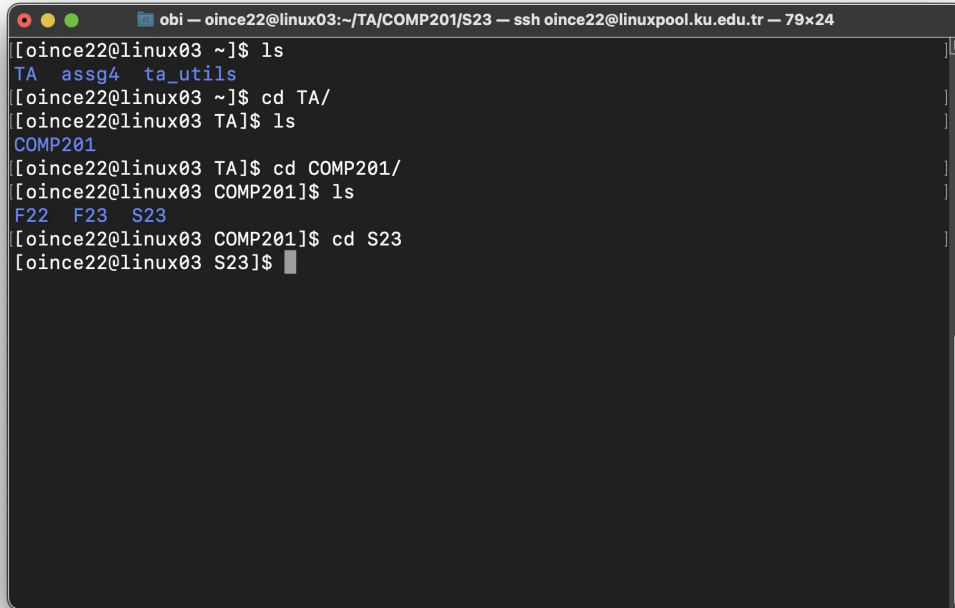
Path



```
obi — oince22@linux03:~/TA/COMP201 — ssh oince22@linuxpool.ku.edu.tr — 79x24
[[oince22@linux03 ~]$ cd TA/COMP201/
[[oince22@linux03 COMP201]$ pwd
/Users/oince22/TA/COMP201
[[oince22@linux03 COMP201]$
```

- **cd**
 - Changes the working directory
 - `..` is the parent directory
 - `.` is the current directory
 - Tilda (`~`) is the `/Users/<username>` directory
 - This is true in Linuxpool
 - May be different in another machine
- **Absolute vs relative path**
 - Relative: `TA/COMP201` from `~` (home)
 - Absolute: `/Users/oince22/TA/COMP201`

Listing files and directories



```
obi — oince22@linux03:~/TA/COMP201/S23 — ssh oince22@linuxpool.ku.edu.tr — 79x24
[oince22@linux03 ~]$ ls
TA  assg4  ta_utils
[oince22@linux03 ~]$ cd TA/
[oince22@linux03 TA]$ ls
COMP201
[oince22@linux03 TA]$ cd COMP201/
[oince22@linux03 COMP201]$ ls
F22  F23  S23
[oince22@linux03 COMP201]$ cd S23
[oince22@linux03 S23]$
```

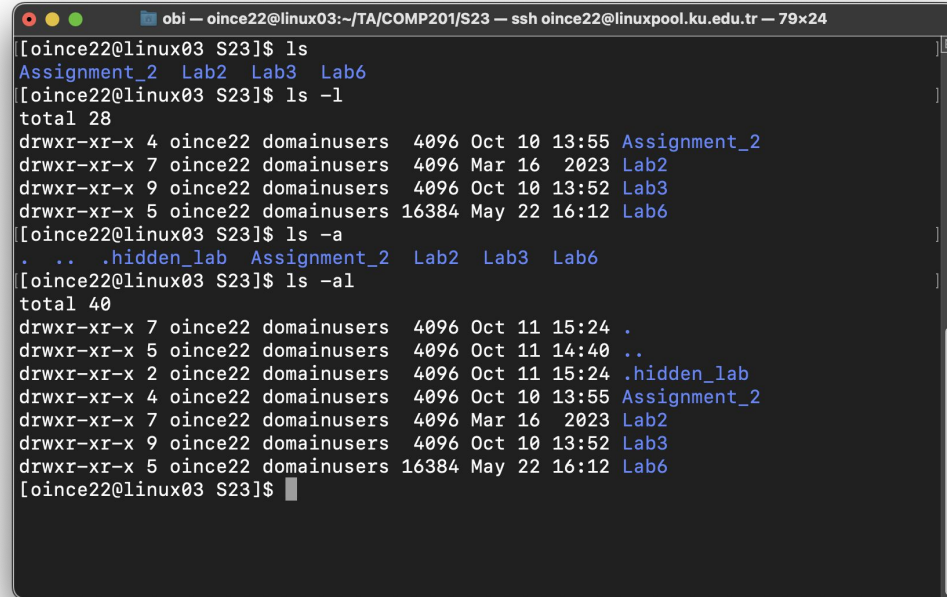
- `ls`
 - Prints files and directories under current working directory

Flags with Commands in Linux

- Many Linux commands have **flags** that can be used to modify their behavior.
- **Flags** are usually preceded by **one** or **two** dashes, followed by a letter or a word.
- **Flags** can be used to:
 - Control the output of a command
 - Specify a file or directory to work with
 - Modify the command's behavior in other ways

Flags with Commands in Linux

- Let's look at an example: **ls** command.
- By default, it lists contents of the current folder.
- But we can use **flags** to modify its behavior.
- For example,
 - **-l** flag to list the contents of the directory line-by-line, long-format including additional info about file permissions, owner, and size.
 - **-a** flag to display all files, including hidden files (usually not displayed by default).
- To use both flags together, type **ls -la**
 - Combine as many as you want!



```
obi — oince22@linux03:~/TA/COMP201/S23 — ssh oince22@linuxpool.ku.edu.tr — 79x24
[oince22@linux03 S23]$ ls
Assignment_2 Lab2 Lab3 Lab6
[oince22@linux03 S23]$ ls -l
total 28
drwxr-xr-x 4 oince22 domainusers 4096 Oct 10 13:55 Assignment_2
drwxr-xr-x 7 oince22 domainusers 4096 Mar 16 2023 Lab2
drwxr-xr-x 9 oince22 domainusers 4096 Oct 10 13:52 Lab3
drwxr-xr-x 5 oince22 domainusers 16384 May 22 16:12 Lab6
[oince22@linux03 S23]$ ls -a
. .. .hidden_lab Assignment_2 Lab2 Lab3 Lab6
[oince22@linux03 S23]$ ls -al
total 40
drwxr-xr-x 7 oince22 domainusers 4096 Oct 11 15:24 .
drwxr-xr-x 5 oince22 domainusers 4096 Oct 11 14:40 ..
drwxr-xr-x 2 oince22 domainusers 4096 Oct 11 15:24 .hidden_lab
drwxr-xr-x 4 oince22 domainusers 4096 Oct 10 13:55 Assignment_2
drwxr-xr-x 7 oince22 domainusers 4096 Mar 16 2023 Lab2
drwxr-xr-x 9 oince22 domainusers 4096 Oct 10 13:52 Lab3
drwxr-xr-x 5 oince22 domainusers 16384 May 22 16:12 Lab6
[oince22@linux03 S23]$
```

To learn more about the flags available for a command, type `man command`
To learn details about the `ls` command and its flags → `man ls`

Listing files and directories

```
obi — oince22@linux03:~/TA/COMP201/S23/Lab2/archive/lab2-material/lab2-examples — ssh oince22@linuxpo...
[oince22@linux03 lab2-examples]$ ls
bits.c btest.c decl.c fshow.c tests.c
[oince22@linux03 lab2-examples]$ ls -lS
total 36
-rw-r--r-- 1 oince22 domainusers 15752 Mar 16 2023 btest.c
-rw-r--r-- 1 oince22 domainusers 7565 Mar 16 2023 bits.c
-rw-r--r-- 1 oince22 domainusers 3009 Mar 16 2023 fshow.c
-rw-r--r-- 1 oince22 domainusers 2795 Mar 16 2023 tests.c
-rw-r--r-- 1 oince22 domainusers 2662 Mar 16 2023 decl.c
[oince22@linux03 lab2-examples]$ ls -lSr
total 36
-rw-r--r-- 1 oince22 domainusers 2662 Mar 16 2023 decl.c
-rw-r--r-- 1 oince22 domainusers 2795 Mar 16 2023 tests.c
-rw-r--r-- 1 oince22 domainusers 3009 Mar 16 2023 fshow.c
-rw-r--r-- 1 oince22 domainusers 7565 Mar 16 2023 bits.c
-rw-r--r-- 1 oince22 domainusers 15752 Mar 16 2023 btest.c
[oince22@linux03 lab2-examples]$ ls -lSrh
total 36K
-rw-r--r-- 1 oince22 domainusers 2.6K Mar 16 2023 decl.c
-rw-r--r-- 1 oince22 domainusers 2.8K Mar 16 2023 tests.c
-rw-r--r-- 1 oince22 domainusers 3.0K Mar 16 2023 fshow.c
-rw-r--r-- 1 oince22 domainusers 7.4K Mar 16 2023 bits.c
-rw-r--r-- 1 oince22 domainusers 16K Mar 16 2023 btest.c
[oince22@linux03 lab2-examples]$
```

- You can use **-S** flag to display files sorted by their sizes, and **-r** option for reverse sorting.
- You can use **-h** flag to display file sizes in a human-readable format.

Making/Removing folders and files

```
obi — oince22@linux03:~/comp201 — ssh oince22@linuxpool.ku.edu.tr — 78x24
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ mkdir lab1
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ ls
lab1
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ touch lab1/lab1_make.txt
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ touch lab1/lab1_make_code.c
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ ls
lab1
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ ls lab1
lab1_make.txt lab1_make_code.c
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ rm lab1/lab1_make.txt
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ rm lab1/
rm: cannot remove 'lab1/': Is a directory
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ rm -R lab1/
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ ls
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$
```

- `mkdir <folder_name>`
 - Makes a new directory in the given working directory with the given “folder_name”.
- `touch`
 - Creates a file with desired extension and name
- `rm`
 - Removes a file or folder.
 - For removing folders you need to use `-R` option

Chmod

- Chmod (short for "change mode") is a command in Linux that allows users to change the read, write, and execute permissions of files and directories.
- The syntax for chmod is as follows:
 - `chmod [options] MODE FILENAME`
- The mode is a combination of the letters "r" (read), "w" (write), and "x" (execute).
- Permissions can be granted to three different user groups:
 - The file owner
 - The group owner
 - All users

File Permission in Linux

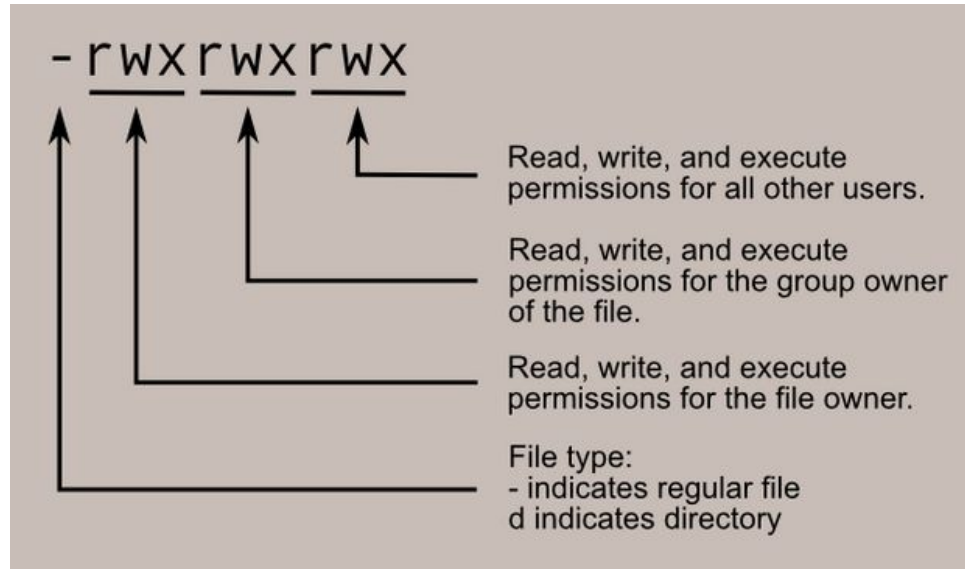


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File Permission in Linux

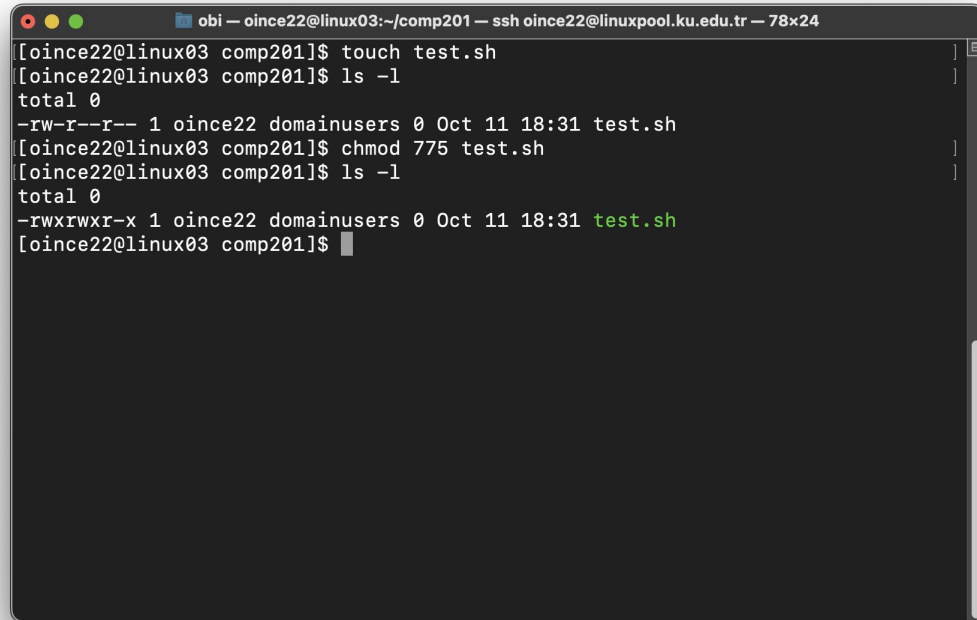
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rwX rwX rwX = 111 111 111  
rw- rw- rw- = 110 110 110  
rwX --- --- = 111 000 000
```

and so on...

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rwX = 111 in binary = 7  
rw- = 110 in binary = 6  
r-x = 101 in binary = 5  
r-- = 100 in binary = 4
```

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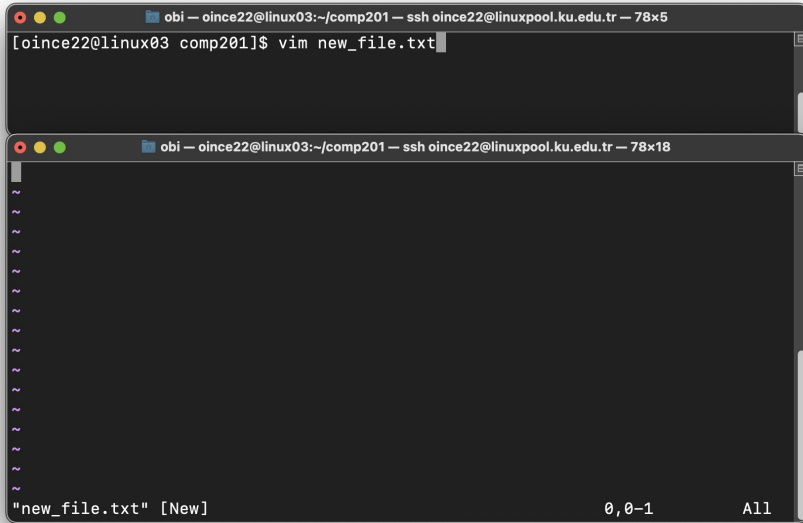
File Permission in Linux



```
obi — oince22@linux03:~/comp201 — ssh oince22@linuxpool.ku.edu.tr — 78x24
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ touch test.sh
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ ls -l
total 0
-rw-r--r-- 1 oince22 domainusers 0 Oct 11 18:31 test.sh
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ chmod 775 test.sh
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ ls -l
total 0
-rwxrwxr-x 1 oince22 domainusers 0 Oct 11 18:31 test.sh
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$
```

Initially, test.sh cannot be executed, to grant -rwx rwx r-x permission to test.sh file execute `chmod 775 test.sh` command.

What is Vim?

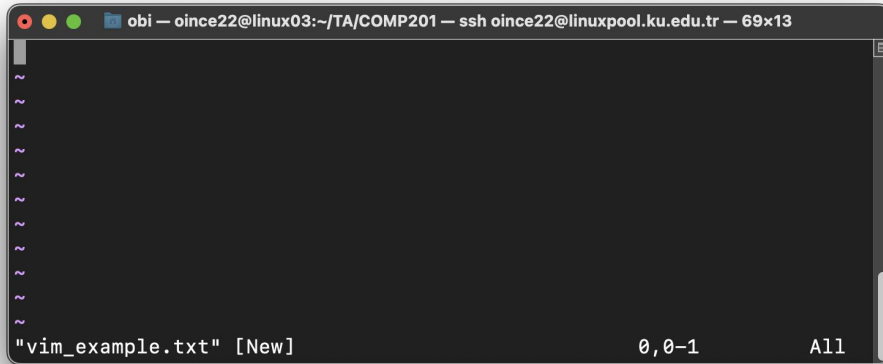


```
obi - oince22@linux03:~/comp201 - ssh oince22@linuxpool.ku.edu.tr - 78x5
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ vim new_file.txt

"new_file.txt" [New]                                0,0-1      All
```

- **Vim** is the default text editor in the UNIX operating system.
- Using **vim**, we can create a new file, read, and edit an existing file.
- To open **vim**, type `vim` or `vim FNAME`. If the file `FNAME` doesn't exist, it will be created when you save it.

Operation Modes in Vim



A terminal window showing Vim in Normal mode. The window title is "obi — oince22@linux03:~/TA/COMP201 — ssh oince22@linuxpool.ku.edu.tr — 69x13". The editor content consists of several lines of tilde (~) characters. The status bar at the bottom shows "vim_example.txt" [New], "0,0-1", and "All".

Normal mode

- The default mode in **vim**.
- Every character you type is interpreted as a command.

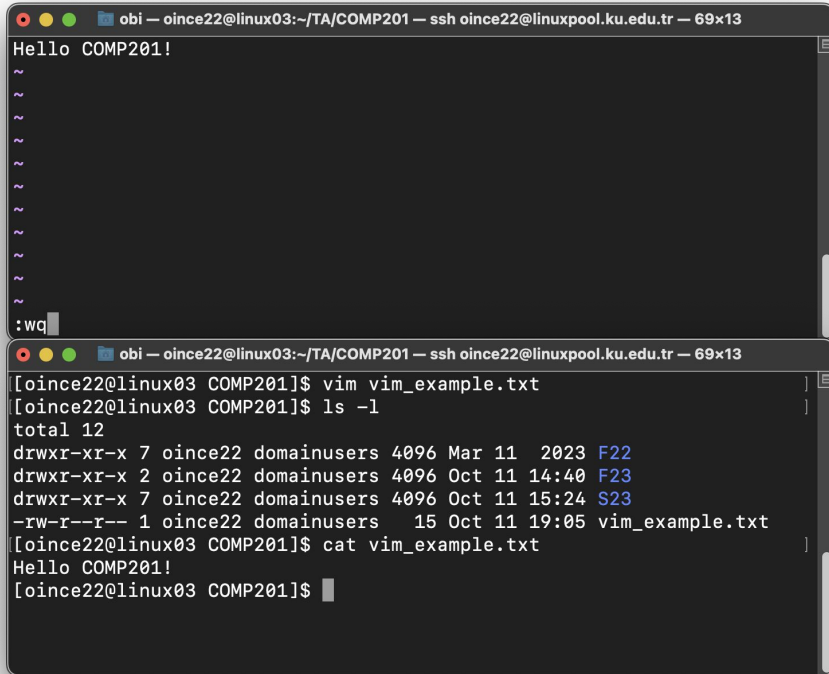


A terminal window showing Vim in Insert mode. The window title is "obi — oince22@linux03:~/TA/COMP201 — ssh oince22@linuxpool.ku.edu.tr — 69x13". The editor content shows "Hello COMP201!" followed by a cursor. The status bar at the bottom shows "-- INSERT --", "1,15", and "All".

Insert mode

- To switch from normal mode to insert mode, type **i** in the normal mode.
- Every character you type is put to the file.
- To switch back to normal mode, press **<Esc>**

Operation Modes in Vim



```
obi — oince22@linux03:~/TA/COMP201 — ssh oince22@linuxpool.ku.edu.tr — 69x13
Hello COMP201!
~
~
~
~
~
~
~
~
~
~
:wq

obi — oince22@linux03:~/TA/COMP201 — ssh oince22@linuxpool.ku.edu.tr — 69x13
[oince22@linux03 COMP201]$ vim vim_example.txt
[oince22@linux03 COMP201]$ ls -l
total 12
drwxr-xr-x 7 oince22 domainusers 4096 Mar 11 2023 F22
drwxr-xr-x 2 oince22 domainusers 4096 Oct 11 14:40 F23
drwxr-xr-x 7 oince22 domainusers 4096 Oct 11 15:24 S23
-rw-r--r-- 1 oince22 domainusers 15 Oct 11 19:05 vim_example.txt
[oince22@linux03 COMP201]$ cat vim_example.txt
Hello COMP201!
[oince22@linux03 COMP201]$
```

- Exit **with** saving
 - To save and exit a file, go to the Normal mode by pressing <Esc> then type :wq
- Exit **without** saving
 - To exit from a file without saving it, go to the Normal mode by pressing <Esc> then type :q!
- After typing :wq or :q!, press <Enter>

Redirection

```
obi — oince22@linux03:~/comp201 — ssh oince22@linuxpool.ku.edu.tr — 78x25
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ touch lab1_cat.txt
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ cat lab1_cat.txt
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ echo 'Test 1: Hello!' > lab1_cat.txt
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ cat lab1_cat.txt
Test 1: Hello!
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ cat < lab1_cat.txt
Test 1: Hello!
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ echo 'Test 2: Anybody there?' >> lab1_cat.txt
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ cat lab1_cat.txt
Test 1: Hello!
Test 2: Anybody there?
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ mkdir lab1_mkdir
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ ls
lab1_cat.txt lab1_mkdir
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ cat < lab1_cat.txt > lab1_mkdir/lab1_cat.txt
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ ls lab1_mkdir/
lab1_cat.txt
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ cat lab1_mkdir/lab1_cat.txt
Test 1: Hello!
Test 2: Anybody there?
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$
```

- **cat**
 - Print the content of the given file
- **< file and > file**
 - You can write the input and output of a program to a file
 - “>> file” appends to end of file

Piping

```
obi — oince22@linux03:~/comp201 — ssh oince22@linuxpool.ku.edu.tr — 71x21
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ cat myfile.txt
BaNaNA
apple
BaNaNA
orange
Apple
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ grep apple myfile.txt
apple
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ grep -i apple myfile.txt
apple
Apple
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$ grep -i a myfile.txt
BaNaNA
apple
BaNaNA
orange
Apple
[oince22@linux03 comp201]$
```

- Pipe character is |
 - Connects output of a program to input of another one
- `grep`
 - Searches for a particular information
 - By default it is case sensitive
- Try `grep --help` and find what does `-i` option do

SCP

- **SCP** is a tool in Linux used to transfer files between hosts over a network.
- The syntax for SCP is as follows:
 - `scp [OPTIONS] SOURCE DESTINATION`
- **-r** flag is used to copy directories, stands for **recursive**

SCP

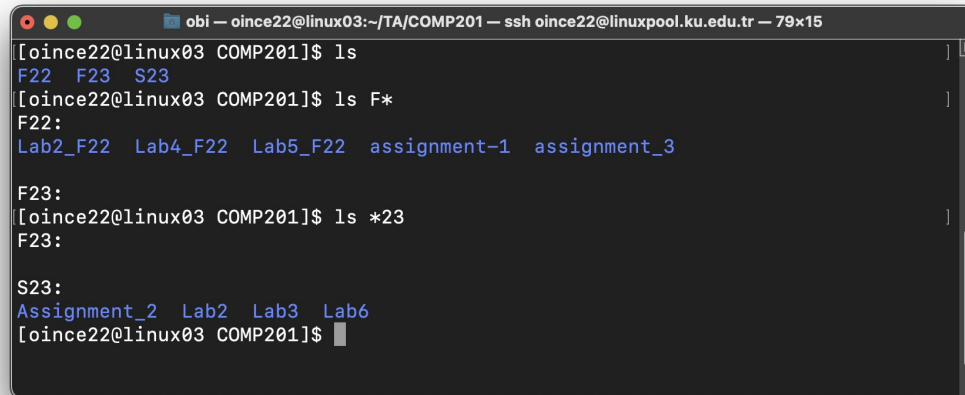
- From local machine to Linuxpool:
 - (on local machine): `scp -r FILENAME USERNAME@linuxpool.ku.edu.tr:`
- From Linuxpool to local machine:
 - (on local machine): `scp -r USERNAME@linuxpool.ku.edu.tr:PATH/TO/FILE .`



Do not forget the colon!!

Useful Commands

- **clear**: Clearing the contents of the terminal screen
- **history**: Searching for previously executed commands
- **Tab key**: auto-completion
- ***** (**asterisk**): Used as a wildcard to represent any combination of characters in a command or filename



```
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[oince22@linux03 COMP201]$ ls
F22  F23  S23
[oince22@linux03 COMP201]$ ls F*
F22:
Lab2_F22  Lab4_F22  Lab5_F22  assignment-1  assignment_3

F23:
[oince22@linux03 COMP201]$ ls *23
F23:

S23:
Assignment_2  Lab2  Lab3  Lab6
[oince22@linux03 COMP201]$
```

Other Resources

- MIT MS [The Shell](#)
- Stanford [CS107 Unix videos](#) 1-15, 24, 25
- [UNIX Tutorial for Beginners](#)